

**City of Auburn Traffic Committee  
MINUTES**

Tuesday, November 20, 2012

8:30 a.m.

Auburn City Hall

1225 Lincoln Way, **Room 10**

**CALLED TO ORDER at 8:30 a.m.**

**ROLL CALL:**

**Committee Members Present:** John Ruffcorn, Chair, Bernie Schroeder, Dir. Of Public Works, Alan Young, Planning Commission

**Committee Members Absent:** Bill Kirby

**Staff/ Public in attendance:** John Benbow, Mike Holmes, Amy Lind and Carie Huff.

1. **Public Comment**  
None.

2. **Minutes**  
By **MOTION**, approve the minutes of September 18, 2012.  
**MOTION: Schroeder/ Ruffcorn/ Unanimously approved**

**DISCUSSION ITEMS:**

3. **Auburn Ravine Road, Crosswalk**  
Tabled to next meeting (1/15/2013), contact Sue Ray.

4. **Auburn-Folsom Rd/ Indian Hill Intersection Signage**  
John Benbow President, Vintage Oaks Homeowners Association, said on the downgrade of Auburn Folsom from Indian Hill, commercial trucks seem to be using their exhaust brakes, possibly not knowing it is a residential area. He said he would like to see an advisory sign at the top of the grade notifying truckers. John Ruffcorn said it will be looked at and possible solutions will be presented at the 1/15/2013 meeting.

5. **Schematic of the Big-O Parking Lot**  
Carie Huff, Public Works Engineer presented a "Big O Parking Lot Layout" and conversation followed regarding the issues with parking bumpers in the parking lot and flow of traffic through lot. Discussion followed regarding the loss of parking spots if they lot were restriped to a 45 degree angle. (51 existing/ 33 at 45 degrees). Carie said there are other angle degree options as a possible middle ground. There was

consensus of the committee that the new angled parking would help the current issues in the parking lot. Bernie Schroeder said she will look into the merchant's thoughts on the issue and parking lot.

6. **Pedestrian Delineators in Crosswalk along High Street near Edelweiss & Depoe Bay** (discussed during public comment)

Council Member Mike Holmes said the paddles seem to be working, although one of the locations keeps getting knocked down by vehicles. He said he and Bernie Schroeder will be meeting with the Auburn Journal to discuss the issues with the location of the paddle and their delivery trucks. John Ruffcorn said he received positive feedback and will have officers watch the area to determine causation. Bernie Schroeder said other locations in that particular crosswalk to install paddles can be looked at.

7. **Boys & Girls Club/ Letter from Norris Electric)**

Bernie Schroeder presented the letter from Norris Electric regarding Harrison and Lincoln Way (Boys and Girls Club location). She said it is a mid-block crossing area. There was discussion regarding creating a crosswalk and the false perception for parents and kids that it would be a safe crossing. It was said because it is a blind area, it would be very dangerous. Alan Young suggested educating the kids and parents that go to the B&G Club on using the appropriate crosswalk. Bernie agreed that the B&G's club should be made aware of this issue presented. John Ruffcorn said he will reach out to the B&G's to not cross in front of the building.

8. **Speeding on Finley**

John Ruffcorn said they used a radar trailer and enforcement in this area and have seen improvement as a result.

9. **Dairy Road Construction**

John Ruffcorn said the Police Dept. received multiple 911 calls regarding long waits and no signage at this location during the overlay construction. Carrie Huff said there was a pilot car, and signage indicating such. She said she went through it a couple times and it never took close to 20 minutes to get through. Bernie Schroeder said she also received calls regarding this construction site. She said a couple factors played into this: late getting the project started, new contractor company, lack of notification to residents, and no available message display board. She said the work was completed very quickly and is now receiving positive feedback. She said on upcoming projects on heavily traveled road (like the upcoming E Lincoln Way project) police presence would help. John Ruffcorn agreed and the consensus was to include this cost in the project cost. It will also be confirmed that the message board will be available for these types of projects.

10. **Speeding on Sunrise Ridge Circle**

John Ruffcorn said they used a radar trailer and enforcement in this area and have seen improvement as a result.

Adjournment at 9:14 a.m.